

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:	)	Chapter 11
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W. R. GRACE & CO., <u>et al.</u> , <sup>1</sup>	)	Case No. 01-01139 (JKF)
	)	(Jointly Administered)
Debtors.	)	
	)	Objection Deadline: March 5, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.
	)	Hearing Date: June 23, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.

**TWENTY-SEVENTH INTERIM QUARTERLY APPLICATION  
OF REED SMITH LLP FOR COMPENSATION FOR  
SERVICES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AS SPECIAL ASBESTOS  
PRODUCTS LIABILITY DEFENSE COUNSEL TO W. R. GRACE & CO., ET AL., FOR  
THE INTERIM PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 1, 2007 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007**

Name of Applicant:	<u><b>Reed Smith LLP</b></u>
Authorized to Provide Professional Services to:	<u><b>W. R. Grace &amp; Co., et al., Debtors and Debtors- in-Possession</b></u>
Date of Retention:	<u><b>Retention Order entered July 19, 2001, effective as of April 2, 2001.</b></u>
Period for which compensation and reimbursement is sought:	<u><b>October 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007</b></u>
Amount of fees sought as actual, reasonable, and necessary:	<u><b>\$1,101,601.50</b></u>
Amount of expenses sought as actual, reasonable, and necessary:	<u><b>\$91,839.69</b></u>
This is a: ___ monthly <u>x</u> quarterly application.	

<sup>1</sup> The Debtors consist of the following 62 entities: W. R. Grace & Co. (f/k/a Grace Specialty Chemicals, Inc.), W. R. Grace & Co.-Conn., A-I Bit & Tool Co., Inc., Alewife Boston Ltd., Alewife Land Corporation, Amicon, Inc., CB Biomedical, Inc. (f/k/a Circe Biomedical, Inc.), CCHP, Inc., Coalgrace, Inc., Coalgrace II, Inc., Creative Food 'N Fun Company, Darex Puerto Rico, Inc., Del Taco Restaurants, Inc., Dewey and Almy, LLC (f/k/a Dewey and Almy Company), Ecarg, Inc., Five Alewife Boston Ltd., G C Limited Partners I, Inc. (f/k/a Grace Cocoa Limited Partners I, Inc.), G C Management, Inc. (f/k/a Grace Cocoa Management, Inc.), GEC Management Corporation, GN Holdings, Inc., GPC Thomasville Corp., Gloucester New Communities Company, Inc., Grace A-B Inc., Grace A-B II Inc., Grace Chemical Company of Cuba, Grace Culinary Systems, Inc., Grace Drilling Company, Grace Energy Corporation, Grace Environmental, Inc., Grace Europe, Inc., Grace H-G Inc., Grace H-G II Inc., Grace Hotel Services Corporation, Grace International Holdings, Inc. (f/k/a Dearborn International Holdings, Inc.), Grace Offshore Company, Grace PAR Corporation, Grace Petroleum Libya Incorporated, Grace Tarpon Investors, Inc., Grace Ventures Corp., Grace Washington, Inc., W. R. Grace Capital Corporation, W. R. Grace Land Corporation, Gracoal, Inc., Gracoal II, Inc., Guanica-Caribe Land Development Corporation, Hanover Square Corporation, Homco International, Inc., Kootenai Development Company, L B Realty, Inc., Litigation Management, Inc. (f/k/a GHSC Holding, Inc., Grace JVH, Inc., Asbestos Management, Inc.), Monolith Enterprises, Incorporated, Monroe Street, Inc., MRA Holdings Corp. (f/k/a Nestor-BNA Holdings Corporation), MRA Intermedco, Inc. (f/k/a Nestor-BNA, Inc.), MRA Staffing Systems, Inc. (f/k/a British Nursing Association, Inc.), Remedium Group, Inc. (f/k/a Environmental Liability Management, Inc., E&C Liquidating Corp., Emerson & Cuming, Inc.), Southern Oil, Resin & Fiberglass, Inc., Water Street Corporation, Axial Basin Ranch Company, CC Partners (f/k/a Cross Country Staffing), Hayden-Gulch West Coal Company, H-G Coal Company.

Date Filed	Period Covered	Requested Fees	Requested Expenses	Approved Fees	Approved Expenses
November 27, 2001	10/1 – 10/31/01	\$229,036.50	\$10,314.97	Yes	Yes
December 26, 2001	11/1 – 11/30/01	\$216,703.50	\$22,667.19	Yes	Yes
January 30, 2002	12/1 – 12/31/01	\$152,288.00	\$43,025.11	Yes	Yes
March 1, 2002	1/1 – 1/31/02	\$152,389.50	\$45,525.87	Yes	Yes
March 28, 2002	2/1 – 2/28/02	\$115,694.50	\$39,388.59	Yes	Yes
May 2, 2002	3/1 – 3/31/02	\$95,617.50	\$49,224.63	Yes	Yes
May 28, 2002	4/1 – 4/30/02	\$125,169.50	\$44,498.12	Yes	Yes
July 1, 2002	5/1 – 5/31/02	\$186,811.50	\$88,641.73	Yes	Yes
August 6, 2002	6/1 – 6/30/02	\$167,414.75	\$26,462.86	Yes	Yes
September 9, 2002	7/1 – 7/31/02	\$113,523.25	\$7,897.17	Yes	Yes
October 1, 2002	8/1 – 8/31/02	\$183,876.75	\$18,631.51	Yes	Yes
November 1, 2002	9/1 – 9/30/02	\$205,975.00	\$12,810.65	Yes	Yes
November 29, 2002	10/1 – 10/31/02	\$172,838.75	\$34,384.69	Yes	Yes
December 30, 2002	11/1 – 11/30/02	\$115,576.00	\$12,630.85	Yes	Yes
January 30, 2003	12/1 – 12/31/02	\$36,744.50	\$16,310.05	Yes	Yes
March 6, 2003	1/1 – 1/31/03	\$123,884.00	\$3,760.28	Yes	Yes
April 2, 2003	2/1 – 2/28/03	\$233,867.50	\$21,251.46	Yes	Yes
May 7, 2003	3/1 – 3/31/03	\$124,350.00	\$30,380.42	Yes	Yes
June 4, 2003	4/1-4/30/03	\$223,770.50	\$19,411.28	Yes	Yes
July 2, 2003	5/1-5/31/03	\$190,688.00	\$22,397.08	Yes	Yes
July 31, 2003	6/1-6/30/03	\$165,837.25	\$18,778.12	Yes	Yes
August 29, 2003	7/1-7/31/03	\$202,033.50	\$13,132.57	Yes	Yes
October 2, 2003	8/1-8/31/03	\$155,275.50	\$5,526.19	Yes	Yes
October 28, 2003	9/1-9/30/03	\$32,877.00	\$5,836.88	Yes	Yes
November 28, 2003	10/1-10/31/03	\$20,656.50	\$3,553.00	Yes	Yes
December 29, 2003	11/1-11/30/03	\$16,642.50	\$352.73	Yes	Yes
February 4, 2004	12/1-12/31/03	\$9,795.00	\$1,332.05	Yes	Yes
March 10, 2004	1/1/04-1/31/04	\$21,531.00	\$85.71	Yes	Yes
April 8, 2004	2/1/04-2/29/04	\$21,116.00	\$2,537.94	Yes	Yes
May 7, 2004	3/1/04-3/31/04	\$11,113.00	\$442.16	Yes	Yes
June 8, 2004	4/1/04-4/30/04	\$16,495.50	\$41.08	Yes	Yes
July 2, 2004	5/1/04-5/31/04	\$41,085.00	\$2,386.50	Yes	Yes
August 2, 2004	6/1/04-6/30/04	\$28,692.50	\$725.43	Yes	Yes

September 3, 2004	7/1/04-7/31/04	\$13,176.50	\$328.55	Yes	Yes
October 5, 2004	8/1/04-8/31/04	\$11,792.00	\$1,500.03	Yes	Yes
October 28, 2004	9/1/04-9/30/04	\$22,618.00	\$97.76	Yes	Yes
November 29, 2004	10/1-10/31/04	\$127,040.00	\$2,710.20	Yes	Yes
January 7, 2005	11/1-11/30/04	\$29,207.50	\$1,858.91	Yes	Yes
February 9, 2005	12/1-12/31/04	\$123,722.25	\$2,596.89	Yes	Yes
March 1, 2005	1/1 – 1/31/05	\$112,761.00	\$3,520.69	Yes	Yes
March 29, 2005	2/1 – 2/28/05	\$40,738.00	\$2,719.01	Yes	Yes
April 28, 2005	3/1 – 3/31/05	\$22,165.50	\$281.04	Yes	Yes
May 31, 2005	4/1 – 4/30/05	\$27,745.00	\$373.42	Yes	Yes
June 30, 2005	5/1 – 5/31/05	\$48,125.50	\$1,444.96	Yes	Yes
August 2, 2005	6/1 – 6/30/05	\$53,677.50	\$2,901.34	Yes	Yes
August 31, 2005	7/1 – 7/31/05	\$67,024.00	\$4,443.37	Yes	Yes
September 28, 2005	8/1 – 8/31/05	\$85,391.00	\$2,308.20	Yes	Yes
October 28, 2005	9/1 – 9/30/05	\$75,564.50	\$1,333.69	Yes	Yes
October, 2005	10/1 – 10/31/05	\$100,140.00	\$2,209.06	Yes	Yes
November, 2005	11/1 – 11/30/05	\$73,829.00	\$2,476.74	Yes	Yes
December, 2005	12/1 – 12/31/05	\$132,709.00	\$9,322.91	Yes	Yes
March 6, 2006	1/1/06-1/31/06	\$179,492.75	\$7,814.56	Yes	Yes
March 28, 2006	2/1/06-2/28/06	\$121,127.50	\$2,113.02	Yes	Yes
April 28, 2006	3/1/06-3/31/06	\$138,244.50	\$8,928.17	Yes	Yes
May 30, 2006	4/1/06-4/30/06	\$258,539.00	\$3,990.53	Yes	Yes
June 28, 2006	5/1/06-5/31/06	\$187,688.50	\$7,066.20	Yes	Yes
August 1, 2006	6/1/06-6/30/06	\$290,925.50	\$7,211.50	Yes	Yes
September 1, 2006	7/1/06-7/31/06	\$318,207.00	\$5,751.93	Yes	Yes
September 28, 2006	8/1/06-8/3/06	\$431,035.00	\$19,258.20	Yes	Yes
October 30, 2006	9/1/06-9/30/06	\$214,071.00	\$8,718.91	Yes	Yes
November 28, 2006	10/1/06-10/31/06	\$253,411.00	\$3,957.53	Yes	Yes
January 4, 2007	11/1/06-11/30/06	\$269,985.00	\$10,276.93	Yes	Yes
January 30, 2007	12/1/06-12/31/06	\$449,619.00	\$13,006.42	Yes	Yes
March 2, 2007	1/1/07-1/31/07	\$451,799.50	\$10,807.56	Yes	Yes
March 28, 2007	2/1/07-2/28/07	\$571,452.50	\$26,064.65	Yes	Yes
May 1, 2007	3/1/07-3/31/07	\$612,334.00	\$21,618.02	Yes	Yes
May 30, 2007	4/1/07 – 4/30/07	\$659,653.00	\$95,262.97	Yes	Yes
June 29, 2007	5/1/07 – 5/31/07	\$381,244.0	\$76,304.87	Yes	Yes

July 30, 2007	6/1/07 – 6/30/07	\$285,417.50	\$25,072.31	Yes	Yes
August 30, 2007	7/1/07 – 7/31/07	\$565,946.00	\$27,946.57	Yes	Yes
September 28, 2007	8/1/07 – 8/30/07	\$341,805.00	\$30,377.98	Yes	Yes
October 30, 2007	9/1/07 – 9/30/07	\$266,475.00	\$47,419.66	Yes	Yes
November 29, 2007	10/1/07 – 10/31/07	\$425,753.50	\$56,702.47	Yes	Yes
December 31, 2007	11/1/07 – 11/30/07	\$346,948.50	\$28,452.97	Yes	Yes
February 1, 2008	12/1/07 – 12/31/07	\$328,899.50	\$6,684.25	Pending	Pending

With the exception of the monthly fee application for December, 2007, Reed Smith LLP has filed Certificates of No Objection with the Court with respect to the above-referenced monthly fee applications because no objections were filed with the Court within the objection period. The objection deadline for the monthly fee application for fees and expenses incurred from December 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 expires on February 21, 2008.

The Reed Smith attorneys who rendered professional services in these cases during the Fee Period are:<sup>2</sup>

Name of Professional Person	Position with the applicant	Number of years as an attorney	Department	Hourly billing rate	Total billed hours	Total compensation
James J. Restivo, Jr.	Partner	36 Years	Litigation	\$635.00	150.30	\$95,440.50
Paul M. Singer	Partner	39 Years	Bankruptcy	\$635.00	1.30	\$825.50
Lawrence E. Flatley	Partner	32 Years	Litigation	\$575.00	105.90	\$60,892.50
Douglas E. Cameron	Partner	23 Years	Litigation	\$570.00	494.70	\$281,979.00
Anthony B. Klapper	Partner	13 Years	Litigation	\$520.00	481.40	\$250,328.00
Margaret L. Sanner	Of Counsel	22 Years	Litigation	\$425.00	213.50	\$90,737.50
Traci Sands Rea	Partner	12 Years	Litigation	\$400.00	90.40	\$36,160.00
Brian T. Himmel	Partner	15 Years	Litigation	\$400.00	45.90	\$18,360.00
Carol J. Gatewood	Of Counsel	18 Years	Litigation	\$385.00	25.00	\$9,625.00
Jesse J. Ash	Associate	6 Years	Litigation	\$380.00	164.60	\$62,548.00
Andrew J. Muha	Associate	6 Years	Litigation	\$350.00	102.00	\$35,700.00
Joshua C. Lewis	Associate	5 Years	Bankruptcy	\$315.00	12.20	\$3,843.00

<sup>2</sup> Any capitalized terms not defined herein have the meaning ascribed to them in the Fifteenth Interim Quarterly Application of Reed Smith LLP for Compensation for Services and Reimbursement of Expenses as Special Asbestos Products Liability Defense Counsel to W. R. Grace & Co., et al., for the Interim Period from April 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006.

Name of Professional Person	Position with the applicant	Number of years as an attorney	Department	Hourly billing rate	Total billed hours	Total compensation
Dustin Pickens	Associate	5 Years	Litigation	\$310.00	61.20	\$18,972.00
Rebecca E. Aten	Associate	4 Years	Litigation	\$295.00	75.00	\$22,125.00
Catherine R. Nguyen	Associate	2 Years	Litigation	\$250.00	54.90	\$13,725.00
Danielle N.D. Rawls	New Associate	1 Year	Litigation	\$240.00	38.00	\$9,120.00
Alexandria C. Samuel	New Associate	1 Year	Litigation	\$240.00	37.50	\$9,000.00
William J. Sheridan	New Associate	1 Year	Litigation	\$240.00	35.00	\$8,400.00
Natalie C. Metropolis	New Associate	1 Year	Litigation	\$240.00	67.30	\$16,152.00
Nathan R. Fennessy	New Associate	1 Year	Litigation	\$240.00	78.70	\$18,888.00

The paraprofessionals who rendered professional service in these cases during the Fee Period are:

Name of Professional Person	Position with the applicant	Number of years in position	Department	Hourly billing rate	Total billed hours	Total compensation
John B. Lord	Paralegal	15 Years	Bankruptcy	\$210.00	11.10	\$2,331.00
Maureen L. Atkinson	Paralegal	31 Years	Litigation	\$190.00	.40	\$76.00
Yovana A. Burns	Paralegal	10 Years	Litigation	\$190.00	14.10	\$2,679.00
Jennifer L. Taylor-Payne	Paralegal	11 Years	Litigation	\$185.00	125.10	\$23,143.50
Margaret A. Garlitz	Paralegal	16 Years	Litigation	\$185.00	3.30	\$610.50
Sharon A. Ament	Paralegal	3 Years	Litigation	\$145.00	68.00	\$9,860.00
Lisa K. Lankford	Case Assistant	5 Years	Commercial Restructuring & Bankruptcy	\$115.00	.70	\$80.50

Total Fees: **\$1,101,601.50**

**EXPENSE SUMMARY**

Description	Non-ZAI Science Trial	ZAI Science Trial
Telephone Expense	\$21.85	\$1.90
Telephone – Outside	\$190.34	----
Transcript Expense	\$1,342.22	----
Duplicating/Printing/Scanning	\$4,311.80	\$132.50
Outside Duplicating/IKON Copy Service	\$2,079.62	----
Binding Charge	\$18.00	----
Postage Expense	\$12.78	----
Courier Service – Outside	\$743.13	----
PACER	\$215.76	----
Documentation Charge	\$171.50	----
Deposition Expense	\$210.00	----
Lexis	\$279.08	----
Westlaw	\$3,152.34	\$24,854.43
Consulting Fees	\$46,544.98	----
Air Travel Expense	\$1,536.40	----
Rail Travel Expense	\$416.05	----
Private Investigators	\$1,411.75	----
Lodging	\$875.32	----
Meal Expense	\$1,543.18	\$94.39
Mileage Expense	\$48.99	----
Taxi Expense	\$359.49	\$44.88
Secretarial Overtime	\$975.65	----
Parking/Tolls/Other Transportation	\$106.42	----
General Expense (vendor fee for tabs, storage boxes, document retrieval and Canadian research; travel agent fees for D. Cameron trips to Atlanta & Washington, D.C. for depositions)	\$144.94	----
SUBTOTAL	\$66,711.59	\$25,128.10
TOTAL	\$91,839.69	

**Summary of Reed Smith LLP Hours/Fees for its Twenty-Sixth Interim Quarterly Fee Application  
(July 1, 2007 – September 30, 2007)**

Category	Quarterly Hours 26 <sup>th</sup> Quarterly	Quarterly Dollar Value 26 <sup>th</sup> Quarterly	Cumulative Hours	Cumulative Dollar Value
Asbestos Product Liability Defense Counsel (Litigation and Litigation Consulting)	997.50	\$455,955.00	13,826.85	\$3,928,570.50
Travel -- Non-Working (1/2 Time)	6.40	\$3,648.00	365.25	\$152,329.25
Fee Applications -- Applicant	61.00	\$15,278.50	1,136.10	\$245,276.50
Case Administration	0.00	\$0.00	1.00	\$430.00
Claim Analysis, Objection & Resolution (Asbestos)	649.90	\$302,543.50	10,327.50	\$4,377,080.50
ZAI Science Trial Fees	334.60	\$109,140.50	1,289.15	\$2,376,443.00
Employment Applications -- Applicant	0.00	\$0.00	16.40	\$4,890.00
Hearings	18.20	\$10,945.50	568.60	\$225,481.50
Records Retention Project (Business Operations)	0.00	\$0.00	64.80	\$21,007.75
Montana Grand Jury Investigation	489.90	\$204,090.50	5,997.20	\$2,392,577.20
New Jersey	0.00	\$0.00	1.20	\$600.00
Expenses	N/A	\$66,711.59	N/A	\$990,898.62
ZAI Science Trial Expenses	N/A	\$25,128.10	N/A	\$223,886.98

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Pursuant to Sections 327, 330 and 331 of Title 11 of the United States Code (as amended, the "Bankruptcy Code"), Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2016, the Retention Order (as defined below), the Administrative Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a) and 331 Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Professionals and Official Committee Members (the "Interim Compensation Order"), the Amended Administrative Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§1059(a) and 331 Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Professionals and Official Committee Members (the "Amended Interim Compensation Order" and collectively with the Interim Compensation Order, the "Compensation Order") and Del.Bankr.LR 2016-2, the law firm of Reed Smith LLP ("Applicant" or "Reed Smith"), Special Asbestos Products

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Liability Defense Counsel for the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”) in their chapter 11 cases, hereby applies for an order allowing it (i) compensation in the amount of \$1,101,601.50 for the reasonable and necessary legal services Reed Smith has rendered to the Debtors and (ii) reimbursement for the actual and necessary expenses that Reed Smith has incurred in the amount of \$91,839.69 (the “Twenty-Seventh Interim Quarterly Fee Application”), for the interim quarterly period from October 1, 2007, through December 31, 2007 (the “Fee Period”). In support of this Application, Reed Smith respectfully states as follows:

### **Background**

#### **Retention of Reed Smith**

1. On April 2, 2001 (the “Petition Date”), the Debtors each filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (collectively, the “Chapter 11 Cases”). On April 2, 2001, the Court entered an order procedurally consolidating the Chapter 11 Cases for administrative purposes only. Since the Petition Date, the Debtors have continued to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

2. By this Court’s order dated July 19, 2001, the Debtors were authorized to retain Reed Smith as Special Asbestos Products Liability Defense Counsel, effective as of the Petition Date (the “Retention Order”). The Retention Order authorizes the Debtors to compensate Reed Smith at Reed Smith's hourly rates charged for services of this type and to be reimbursed for actual and necessary out-of-pocket expenses that it incurred, subject to application to this Court in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, all applicable local rules and orders of this Court. On May 3, 2001, this

Court entered the Interim Compensation Order and entered the Amended Interim Compensation Order on April 17, 2002.

**Monthly Interim Fee Applications Covered Herein**

3. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Interim Compensation Order and the Amended Interim Compensation Order, professionals may apply for monthly compensation and reimbursement (each such application, a "Monthly Fee Application") subject to any objections lodged by the Notice Parties provided in the Compensation Order. If no objection is filed to a Monthly Fee Application within twenty (20) days after the date of service of the Monthly Fee Application, the applicable professional may submit to the Court a Certification of No Objection whereupon the Debtors are authorized to pay interim compensation and reimbursement of 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses requested.

4. Furthermore, and also pursuant to the Compensation Order, professionals are to file and serve upon the notice parties a quarterly request (a "Quarterly Fee Application") for interim Court approval and allowance of the Monthly Fee Applications filed during the quarter covered by that Quarterly Fee Application. If the Court grants the relief requested by the Quarterly Fee Application, the Debtors are authorized and directed to pay the professional 100% of the fees and expenses requested in the Monthly Fee Applications covered by that Quarterly Fee Application less any amounts previously paid in connection with the Monthly Fee Applications. Any payment made pursuant to the Monthly Fee Applications or a Quarterly Fee Application is subject to final approval of all fees and expenses at a hearing on the professional's final fee application.

5. This is the Twenty-Seventh Interim Quarterly Fee Application for compensation for services rendered that Reed Smith has filed with the Bankruptcy Court in connection with the Chapter 11 cases.

6. Reed Smith has filed the following Monthly Fee Applications for interim compensation during this Fee Period:

1. Application of Reed Smith LLP for Compensation for Services and Reimbursement of Expenses as Special Asbestos Products Liability Defense Counsel to Debtors, for the Seventy-Sixth Monthly Interim Period from October 1, 2007 Through October 31, 2007, filed November 29, 2007 (the "October Fee Application") attached hereto as Exhibit A.
2. Application of Reed Smith LLP for Compensation for Services and Reimbursement of Expenses as Special Asbestos Products Liability Defense Counsel to Debtors, for the Seventy-Seventh Monthly Interim Period From November 1, 2007 Through November 30, 2007, filed December 31, 2007 (the "November Fee Application") attached hereto as Exhibit B.
3. Application of Reed Smith LLP for Compensation for Services and Reimbursement of Expenses as Special Asbestos Products Liability Defense Counsel to Debtors, for the Seventy-Eighth Monthly Interim Period From December 1, 2007 Through December 31, 2007 (the "December Fee Application") attached hereto as Exhibit C, filed February 1, 2008, (collectively, the October Application, the November Application and the December Application are the "Applications").

7. The periods for objecting to the fees and expense reimbursement requested in the October and November Fee Applications passed without any objections being filed, whereupon Reed Smith filed Certificates of No Objection with the Court, and Reed Smith has received payment for those fees and expenses listed in the October and November fee applications. The period for objecting to the fees and expense reimbursement requested in the December Fee Application has not yet expired.

8. During the Fee Period, Reed Smith has advised and represented the Debtors in connection with the Asbestos Products Liability Actions and has performed various professional services that are described in the Applications.

#### **Requested Relief**

9. By this Twenty-Seventh Interim Quarterly Fee Application, Reed Smith requests that the Court approve the interim allowance of compensation for professional services rendered

and the reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred by Reed Smith for the Fee Period as detailed in the Applications, less any amounts previously paid to Reed Smith pursuant to the Applications and the procedures set forth in the Compensation Order.<sup>2</sup> As stated above, the full scope of services provided and the related expenses incurred are fully described in the Applications, which are attached hereto as Exhibits A through C.

#### **Disinterestedness**

10. As disclosed in the Affidavit of James J. Restivo, Jr. in Support of the Application of the Debtors to employ Reed Smith LLP as Special Defense Counsel for the Debtors in Asbestos Product Liability Actions, (the "Restivo Affidavit"), filed July 2, 2001, Reed Smith does not hold or represent any interest adverse to the estates, and is a disinterested person as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

11. Reed Smith may have in the past represented, may currently represent, and likely in the future will represent parties-in-interest in connection with matters unrelated to the Debtors and the Chapter 11 Cases. Reed Smith disclosed in the Restivo Affidavit its connections to parties-in-interest that it has been able to ascertain using its reasonable efforts. Reed Smith will update the Restivo Affidavit when necessary and when Reed Smith becomes aware of any material new information.

#### **Representations**

12. Reed Smith believes that the Application is in compliance with the requirements of Del. Bankr. L.R. 2016-2.

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<sup>2</sup> Reed Smith reserves the right to seek at a later date compensation for services rendered and reimbursement for expenses incurred during the Fee Period that are not otherwise included in the relevant Applications.

13. Reed Smith performed the services for which it is seeking compensation on behalf of or for the Debtors and their estates, and not on behalf of any committee, creditor or other person.

14. During the Fee Period, Reed Smith has received no payment, nor has it received any promises for payment, from any source for services rendered or to be rendered in any capacity whatsoever in connection with these Chapter 11 cases.

15. Pursuant to Fed. R. Bank. P. 2016(b), Reed Smith has not shared, nor has agreed to share, (a) any compensation it has received or may receive with another party or person other than with the partners, counsel and associates of Reed Smith, or (b) any compensation another person or party has received or may receive in connection with the Chapter 11 cases.

16. Although every effort has been made to include all fees and expenses from the Fee Period in the Applications, some fees and expenses from the Fee Period might not be included in the Applications due to accounting and processing delays. Reed Smith reserves the right to make further application to the Court for allowance of fees and expenses for the Fee Period not included herein.

WHEREFORE, Reed Smith respectfully requests that the Court enter an order, substantially in the form attached hereto, providing (a) that, for the Fee Period, an administrative allowance be made to Reed Smith (i) in the sum of \$1,101,601.50 as compensation for reasonable and necessary professional services rendered to the Debtors and (ii) in the sum of \$91,839.69 for reimbursement of actual and necessary costs and expenses incurred (for a total of \$1,193,441.19) (b) that the Debtors be authorized and directed to pay to Reed Smith the outstanding amount of such sums less any sums previously paid to Reed Smith pursuant to the Applications and the procedures set forth in the Compensation Order and (c) that this Court grant such further relief as is equitable and just.

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Respectfully submitted,

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